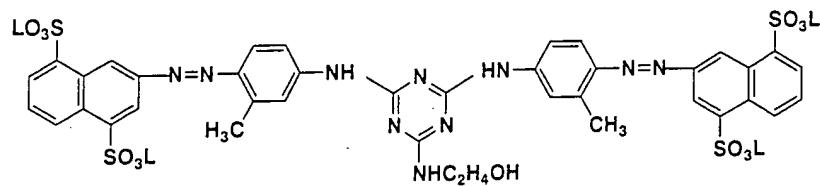


Amendment to the claims

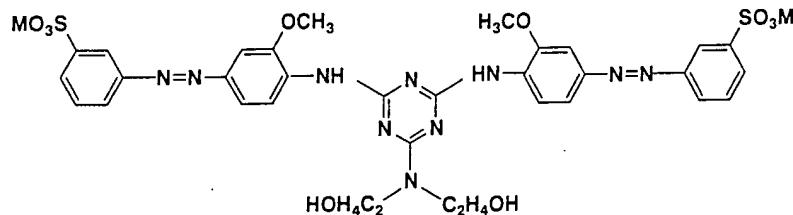
This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims

1. (Original) A dye composition comprising the compounds represented by the following formulae (1) and (2):



(2)



(1)

wherein, m and L respectively represents a hydrogen atom, an alkali metal, an alkali earth metal, a cation of an organic amine or an ammonium ion.

2. (Original) The dye composition comprising 90%-20% by mass of the compound represented by the formula (1) and

10% to 80% of the compound represented by the formula (2).

3. (Original) The dye composition according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein the content of an inorganic salt included in the dye composition is 1% or less.

4. (Original) An aqueous dye composition wherein the dye composition according to Claim 1 or 2 is adjusted into 6 to 15% (by mass) aqueous solution of dyestuff components with pH ranging from 6 to 10.

5. (Original) The aqueous dye composition wherein the dye composition according to Claim 3 is adjusted into 6 to 15% (by mass) aqueous solution of dye stuff components with pH ranging from 6 to 10.

6. (Currently amended) A water-based ink composition characterized by comprising the dye composition according to ~~Claims~~ Claim 1 or 2 as dye stuff components.

7. (Original) The water-based ink composition according to Claim 6, comprising water and an organic solvent.

8. (Currently amended) The water-based ink composition comprising the dye composition according to ~~Claims~~ Claim 3 with 0.1 to 20% by mass of dyestuff components; 5 to 60% by mass of a water soluble organic solvent; 0 to 10% by mass of an ink preparation agent and water for the rest of total content.

9. (Original) The water-based ink composition according to claim 6 for ink jet recording.

10. (Currently amended) A method for ink-jet recording characterized by using the water-based comprising ejecting ink composition droplets according to claim 6 as an ink, wherein ink droplets are ejected responding in response to the record signals to record onto a recording material wherein the ink composition is the ink composition as claimed in Claim 6.

11. (Original) The method for ink-jet recording according to Claim 10, wherein the recording material is an information transmission sheet.

12. (Original) An ink-jet printer equipped with a container comprising the water-based ink composition according to Claim 9.